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In re Application of
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Application No.: 10/030,944

PCT No.: PCT/EP00/06188

Int. Filing Date: 03 July 2000

Priority Date: 15 July 1999

Attorney's Docket No.: MERCK 2360

For: CYCLIC PEPTIDE DERIVATIVES
AS INHIBITORS OF INTEGRIN

DECISION ON

PETITION

UNDER 37 CFR 1.182

This is a decision on applicant's "Submission of Corrected Transmittal Letter in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)", which was filed via facsimile in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on 21 March 2003. Applicant requests correction of the International application number on the transmittal letter filed 15 January 2003 in the above identified patent application, which is treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.182. The petition fee of \$130 will be charged to applicant's Deposit Account per his authorization.

BACKGROUND

On 03 July 2000, applicant filed international application No. PCT/EP00/06188 with the European Receiving Office, which claimed a priority date of 15 July 1999. A Demand was filed, extending the deadline for entry into the national stage to 30 months or by 15 January 2002.

On 15 January 2002, applicant filed a Transmittal Letter requesting entry into the national stage accompanied by, *inter alia*, the basic national fee and an executed combined declaration and power of attorney. The transmittal letter and declaration incorrectly indicated PCT application number PCT/EP00/01688, it should have read PCT/EP00/06188. However, a copy of the international application PCT/EP00/06188 accompanied the transmittal letter. The national stage request was assigned application no. 10/030,944.

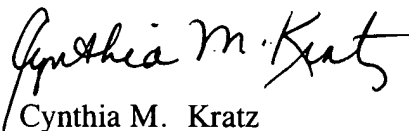
On 21 March 2003, in response to the undersigned telephone contact, applicants filed the instant petition requesting rectification of incorrect international application no. identifying the correct international application no. as PCT/EP00/06188.

Applicant's request to correct the international application number on the transmittal letter is granted.

CONCLUSION

The application is being forwarded to the US Designated/Elected Office for further processing as the national stage of PCT/EP00/06188, assigned U.S. serial number 10/030,944.

The DO/EO/US will issue a Notification of Missing Requirements (FORM PCT/DO/EO 905) and Notification of Defective Oath or Declaration (FORM PCT/DO/EO 917) indicating that the oath or declaration is not in accordance with either 37 CFR §§ 1.66, 1.68 or 1.497 and that a new oath or declaration is required along with a surcharge for filing the oath or declaration after the thirty month period.



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